Foreigners staying in India illegally

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of foreigners staying in India illegally are gradually going up;

(b) the details of foreigners illegally staying in India over the last five years; year-wise and State-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Central Foreigners Bureau is looking after this issue or whether any other agency/department is looking at this issue;

(d) whether it is true that the Registrar of visiting foreigners has been delegated to State Governments under Registration of Foreigners Act, 1939; and

(e) if so, the reasons behind this transfer to States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The data of foreigners staying illegally in India showed an increase from the year 2001 to 2002, while there had been marginal decline from 2002 to 2004.

(b) A Statement as compiled by Central Foreigner Bureau (CFB), based on inputs from State Governments., is enclosed *(See below).*

(c) Central Foreigners Bureau collates the statistics of illegally staying foreigners on the basis of inputs received from State Governments/UT Administrations.

(d) Yes, Sir. The powers, under the Registration of Foreigners Act, 1939, to register the foreigners who are required themselves to register under the provisions of the Act, have been delegated to all the State Governments/ UT Administrations.

(e) Foreigners, after coming to India, stay/reside in various States/UT Administrations and as such, State Governments/UT Administrations are in better position to monitor the activities of the foreigners through police and hence, can detect and deport them in case of illegal stay.

Statement

Details of foreigners illegally staying in India

State/UT	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Andaman & Nicobar	784	834	552	0	389
Andhra Pradesh	28	6	37	36	36
Arunachal Pradesh	103	113	117	0	0
Assam	23687	23422	26490	26669	27104
Bihar	135	142	187	38	38
Chhattisgarh	73	1360	1360	1	0
Delhi	85	81	76	74	74
Goa	1	3	13	0	0
Gujarat	304	285	223	180	190
Haryana	1	2	41	0	0
Himachal Pradesh	9	2	9	2	2
Jammu & Kashmir	82	81	68	86	83
Jharkhand	0	4	2	0	0
Karnataka	36	29	45	211	82
Kerala	311	289	308	303	967
Madhya Pradesh	551	614	367	265	105
Maharashtra	1275	1550	1626	1763	1465
Meghalaya	0	0	1	0	0
Nagaland	0	0	1	0	0
Orissa	8	231	398	390	398
Pondicherry	1	3	0	0	0
Punjab	142	132	129	244	311
Rajasthan	3286	3149	2405	1579	2677
Tamil Nadu	93	61	48	34	35
Tripura	0	5796	0	0	0
Uttar Pradesh	731	1211	1190	578	819
Uttaranchal	2	2	3	3	1
West Bengal	9733	441	11122	14131	11726
TOTAL	41461	39843	46818	46587	46502